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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE
(DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a patent application under 35 U.S.C. 371 of the international application identified below:

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/DK2004/000688		INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE October 8, 2004	
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TITLE OF THE INVENTION			
Protease Variants			

1. This is a first submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)).
3. The US has been elected.
4. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) has been communicated by the International Bureau. The application contains the following parts:

Specification	53 Pages
Abstract	1 Pages
Sequence Listing	35 Pages
Drawings	26 Pages
Total	115 Pages

5. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) have not been made and will not be made.
6. An application data sheet is enclosed.

7. Priority of Danish application nos. PA 2003 01494 filed on October 10, 2003 and PA 2004 00333 filed March 1, 2004 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d).

8. The benefit of U.S. provisional application nos. 60/510,450 filed October 10, 2003 and 60/549,347 filed on March 2, 2004 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119(e).

9. An oath or declaration of the inventors is submitted herewith.

10. An Information Disclosure Statement is submitted herewith.

11. A Preliminary Amendment is submitted herewith.

12. Applicants enclose a paper copy and a computer readable form of a Sequence Listing.

The content of the paper copy and of the computer readable form is the same.

13. The assignee of the present application is:

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Applicants request that the assignee information be included in the published patent application.

14. Direct all correspondence to Customer Number 25908.

15. The following fees are submitted:

BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)):

Basic Fee:	\$300.00
Examination Fee:	\$200.00
Search Fee:	\$500.00
Size Fee (\$250 for each 50 pages above 100)	\$250.00

CLAIMS FEE

Total Claims: $21 - 20 = 1 \times 50 =$	\$50.00
Independent Claims: $1 - 3 = 0 \times 200 =$	\$0.00
Total Claims Fee:	\$0.00

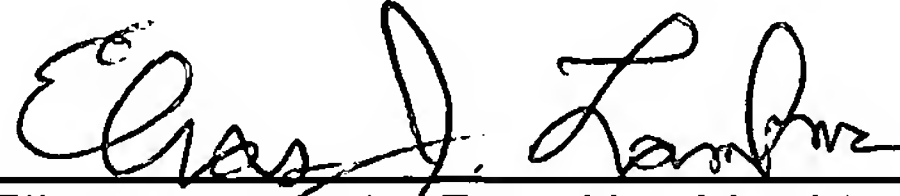
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16. Please charge the required fee, estimated to be \$1,300, to Novozymes North America, Inc., Deposit Account No. 50-1701. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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I hereby certify that the following attached papers or fee

1. Transmittal Letter to the DO/EO/US (in duplicate)
2. Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
3. Application Data Sheet
4. Preliminary Amendment
5. Paper Copy of Sequence Listing
6. Disk Containing Sequence Listing
7. Information Disclosure Statement
8. Form PTO/SB/08A
9. Copy of References

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